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SUBJECT: FISHING VESSELS IN PORT-GENTIL

REF: A) STATE 207543 (NOTAL), B) LIBREVILLE 1634 (NOTAL),
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1. AFTER SOME RESEARCH INTO THE BOOKS, INTERNATIONAL
PROTEIN CORPORATION NOW FINDS THAT IT DOES IN FACT HAVE
LEGAL CLAIM TO THREE FISHING VESSELS, DESPITE HAVING SOLD
OUT ANGOLAN INTERESTS IN 1974 (THIS MAY HELP EXPLAIN WHY
VESSELS WERE SO READILY OFFERED BY ERSTWHILE PARTNERS AS
SECURITY FOR MOBIL DEBT). IPC ACCOUNTANTS VALUED THEM AT
ROUGHLY DOLLARS 300,000-400,000 TOTAL, LAST YEAR.

2. FRIFAR IS SUBSIDIARY OF IPC'S FORMER PARTNERS IN
ANGOLA. ACCORDING TO IPC, NEITHER FRIFAR NOR ANY OTHER
MEMBER OF GROUP CURRENTLY HAS ANY U.S. PARTICIPATION.

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THEREFORE, IPC IS ONLY U.S. ENTITY INVOLVED IN THIS AFFAIR.

3. IPC HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH CREVETTES DE CAMEROUN (DOUALA-BASED U.S. FIRM) FOR ASSISTANCE IN TAKING MEASURES TO PROTECT VESSELS. IN CABLE RECEIVED BY IPC NOVEMBER 5, CDC AGREED TO SEND SOMEONE TO LIBREVILLE ASA TO ASSESS PRESENT CONDITION OF VESSELS AND ENSURE THEY ARE MADE SECURE. HE MAY BE CALLING AT EMBASSY.

4. BASED ON CDC RECOMMENDATIONS, IPC EXPECTS TO SEND A REP TO LIBREVILLE WITHIN A FEW WEEKS TO DISPOSE OF VESSELS IN MOST EXPEDITIOUS WAY POSSIBLE. ANY EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN THIS EFFORT WILL BE APPRECIATED.

5. FYI ONLY: ASSUMING IPC IS ABLE TO RECOUP REASONABLE PERCENTAGE OF ITS INVESTMENT IN FISHING VESSELS, IT SAYS IT WILL PROBABLY PAY OFF MOBIL DEBT ITSELF. KISSINGER UNQTE KISSINGER

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